

# **COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING**

*For Newington youths who will be completing grades 8, 9, or 10 in June 2010*

## **WHAT IS THE COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT) PROGRAM?**

The Counselor-In-Training (CIT) program is a summer program that provides instruction, teaching, and skill development working with children in a summer camp setting through experience.

## **WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?**

During the first 2 days of each 10-day session, participants will receive training in leadership, professionalism, team building, basic first aid, policies & procedures, customer service, completing a job application, interviewing for a job, teaching games and activities, and a basic knowledge on how to work with children. The last 8 days of the session are spent on-site at one of our Summer Playground sites directly working with the campers.

## **WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?**

- Newington youths who will be completing grades 8, 9 or 10 in June 2010 (this program is limited to the first 10 selected participants per session).

## **WHEN DOES THE PROGRAM TAKE PLACE?**

- Two 2-week sessions—applicants may choose from either session:
  - Session 1: Monday through Friday, July 12 through 23 (**Program ID #6818**)
  - Session 2: Monday through Friday, July 26 through August 6 (**Program ID #6819**)
    - Times for both sessions are 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## **WHERE DOES THE PROGRAM TAKE PLACE?**

- First 2 days of session will take place at the Mortensen Community Center
- Remainder of session (8 days) will be at specific sites—CIT's will need to be dropped off and picked up at their individual camp sites.

## **WHAT IS THE COST OF THE PROGRAM?**

- \$100 per student per session

## **HOW DO I REGISTER?**

- Complete a Parks & Recreation Program Registration Form and include \$100 registration fee (registration fee will be refunded if applicant is not accepted into program)
- Obtain a Letter of Recommendation (from someone other than a relative)
- Complete the Counselor-in-Training Application (found in the Parks & Recreation office or on our website at [www.newingtonct.gov](http://www.newingtonct.gov))
- Submit the Registration Form, Fee, Letter of Recommendation and Counselor-In-Training Application to the Parks & Recreation office no later than Friday, June 11, 2010

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

- Participants must be able to attend ALL of the following:
  - Parent/guardian and child informational meeting on Thursday, July 1 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Mortensen Community Center gymnasium
  - All 10 days of session (2 days of training and 8 days at playground site—CIT's are placed at playground sites based on the needs of our program)

**This program is limited to the first 10 selected participants per session. You may only register for one session. Parks & Recreation staff members will review all applications. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**